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RECENT IMPRESSIONS OF OUR VERSATILE CORRESPONDENT

SMALL MAN GOES TO PHILIPPINES

Luke Wright Too Narrow to Treat With Dark Races.—A Glimpse at the Clansman.—A. M. E. Confence Goes to Norfolk.—Possible Changes.

(STAFF CORRESPONDENCE.)

The ever-welcome New York Age has returned to its former style of make-up—a seven-column folio, instead of the six-column quarto of recent times. We like the change, because of its superior convenience, and because of the somewhat sentimental reason that it looks more like its old self, recalling along improved lines, of course, the palmy days of youth, when we received from its pages budding inspiration for the journalistic career, and when we imagined—and since found it to be a fact—that T. Thomas Fortune was divinely inspired to mould Negro editorial thought among us in the same sturdy fashion that William Lloyd Garrison, Horace Greeley, Henry J. Raymond and Charles A. Dana shaped popular sentiment for the Caucasian race at the crucial period of American history. In its return to the familiar four pages, the Age is as full of news as ever, the column being much longer and the columns an em and a half wider. We wish the brave and brainy Fortune an age of good luck.

Dr. Francis J, Grimke adds another chapter—or perhaps only a paragraph—in declining to be considered in connection with the presidency of Howard University, saying he would not be able to accept, even should the trustees elect him Dr. Grimke's action is to be regretted in view of the good we know he could do at Howard just now, when the reorganization about to be commenced, requires a hand that is steady, a head that is level, and a soul far above petty meannesses; but, if his heart dictates that he remain at the helm of the 15th Street Presbyterian Church and he feels that there lies his life work, it is not for man to gainsay the propriety of his decision. There are yet able men from whom a wise choice might be made Dr. W. V Tunnell, warden of King Hall Theological School, being added to the list of possibilities already mentioned. It must be borne in mind that it will be no easy task to elect a colored man president of this great institution, and those who mean business will find it expedient to establish a definite organization, concentrate all strength available upon one competent man, and go to work with an eye single to the goal to be attained.

Men of the Luke Wright type can never be trusted to govern a people as dark as Negroes or Filipinos. They are not broad enough in the head to comprehend the difference between the sacred civil obligations of a government, and the flubdub of social non-essentials. The one is fundamental, the other nothing but fuss and feathers, that could be dispensed with to the advantage of all concerned. Governor Smith has the opportunity of his life to make Americanism stand for what Roosevelt insists that it should stand for—"a square deal for every man."

In the role of an humble investigator who wished to gather information at first hand, we bearded the lion in his den, as it were, at Macaulay's Theatre in Louisville, Ky., one afternoon last week, and witnessed a performance of that notorious nightmare, by the equally notorious Tom Dixon, called "The Clansman." It had been our intention to present to the readers of the Freeman a dispassionate study of the production and its probable effect upon public sentiment, somewhat at length, but as the thing has been worked over in your columns far beyond its deserts, it is doubtful if any-one save Dixon and his confederates would be benefited by the continued advertisement given a monstrosity that is doomed to an early death from inanition—if let severely alone from now on. A few lines, therefore, will suffice to say our little say upon the distasteful subject. "The Clansman," as a book is a literary outrage; as a play, it is a theatrical crime. "Mrs. Warren's Profession," which was suppressed in the interest of morality in New York, and Olga Nethersole's "Sapho," which is compelled to run the gauntlet of the censor in every "Spotless Town," are as the aroma of roses in comparison with this malodorous emanation from the infernal regions. Besides being crude from the standpoint of dramatic construction and lacking in that wholesome atmosphere necessary to every lasting portrayal of life and character, it is historically inaccurate, its situations and climaxes are strained to a degree absolutely ridiculous, its whites and blacks are not true types, being exaggerated beyond recognition, to serve the nefarious purpose of the author—to make the Northern abolitionist appear as a hypocrite and to exalt the putative virtues of the South. In defying the red-handed Ku Klux Klan, as a band of noble men, bent upon protecting their homes from Negro desperadoes—who did not exist—and to prevent wholesale intermarriage between the races—when no such thing was dreamed of—the author trifles with a history, reeking with atrocious murders to establish white supremacy and to loot the state, and prostitutes the high purpose of the stage, which is nothing if it fail to hold up the mirror to nature, faithfully and honestly. Dixon, with an adroitness born of malice, distorts the entire picture, and overdraws every character, in order to reincarnate the twin bogies of "social equality" and "Negro domination," —with the view of arraying race against race, on the only issue upon which he knows the average Caucasian can be inflamed without good reason. The best critic in the Louisville papers pronounced the play a vulgar contribution to the sensationalism of the hour, and the upper classes looked on, more in unconvinced amazement than with real interest. Upon them, its damnable docrtrine will have no injurious effect, for their status in the social equation is secure; but the poison reached the lower elemements—the classes from whom mobs are recruited—and the hisses and vociferous applause that came from the galleries, so plainly indicated how deeply their superficial minds were affected, that Manager Macaulay gave out an intimation, that could not be misunderstood, that he preferred that Negroes remain away from the theater during the stay of "The Clansman," fearing that the slightest offence that might be laid at the door of a Negro in that audience of maddened men and women, would precipitate a race riot, and do irreparable damage. The very fact that a stage production was thus found to contain the ingredients likely to create a popular disturbance ought to have led to its suppression in the interest of public order. However, the vehemence of the note sounded by "The Clansman," and its crass vulgarity, will be its own undoing. It is not a spectacle that one would wish to witness a second time. It has none of the charm and human sympathy that gave "Uncle Tom's Cabin" its long lease of life. When the novelty has worn off and the morbid curiosity of the masses has in a measure been appeased, Dixon's unsavory mess will be relegated to the dramatic scrap-heap, from which putrescent source it came In the meantime let us keep cool, cultivate the saving grace of self-control under the most trying ordeals, and go ahead with the work of race redemption.

The General Conference of the A. M. E. Church for 1908 goes to Norfolk, Va., a very satisfactory location, after all. It is a happy compromise between the extreme North and the far South, and with no local candidates in the field, every aspirant who presents himself for recognition will have a equal chance. A local clacque has proven the death-knell to many an outsider, and it is one of the chief requisits of a convention city, to pledge itself not to have any candidates for a leading office, as absolute neutrality is necessary to insure fair play for all. Atlanta, Jacksonville and Baltimore put up a game fight for the Conference, but the wisest counsel prevailed, and the best place, aside from Washington, was selected. Norfolk is easy of access from all parts of the country, and during the three weeks of the session it will not be difficult for groups of the delegates to take a little time to run up to the nation's capital, peep in at Hampton, go for a sea trip out upon the Atlantic taking in Old Point Comfort, the several beaches and viewing the great Navy Yard, etc., in the vicinity The conference of 1908 will have an unusual amount of business to transact, but a few grains of pleasure, sensibly proportioned to the serious side of the work, will go far to leaven the whole lump.

Now that the seat of the General Conference has been agreed upon, how does the situation stand? This is something that no one can estimate, with any reliable data which to base a a prediction. The General Conference is more than two years off, and the delegates are yet to be chosen. Making history as rapidly as we do in these piping times, so many things are apt to happen in the next few months, that the shrewdest calculation of today might be turned awry by the logic of events. So, the prospective delegates are keeping still, lest they "lose out" before they get their pins set in approved fashion. They are painfully non-committal on men and issues, and are keeping their ears close to the ground to catch the slightest indication of what is "coming off." A churchman who is in a better position than most to form an opinion as to Methodist "futures" predicts that four bishops will be made, with a possibility of one or more, if there should be a loss from the bench between now and 1908. They will be picked says he, from a field in which Drs E. W Lampton, H. T. Johnson, T. Wellington Henderson, H. B. Parks, J. M. Conner, J. S. Flipper, and T. M. N Smith stand well in the foreground In the second row are a dozen budding episcopates, who are due in a few years, but who might make it this time, if the battle is prolonged. The policy of promoting efficient general officers is a good one, and will be more generally followed in the future than has been true in the past. There is no sentiment outside of Baltimore for a special African Bishop, it being the best plan to let the regular men take their turn at this work. As it is now, Bishop

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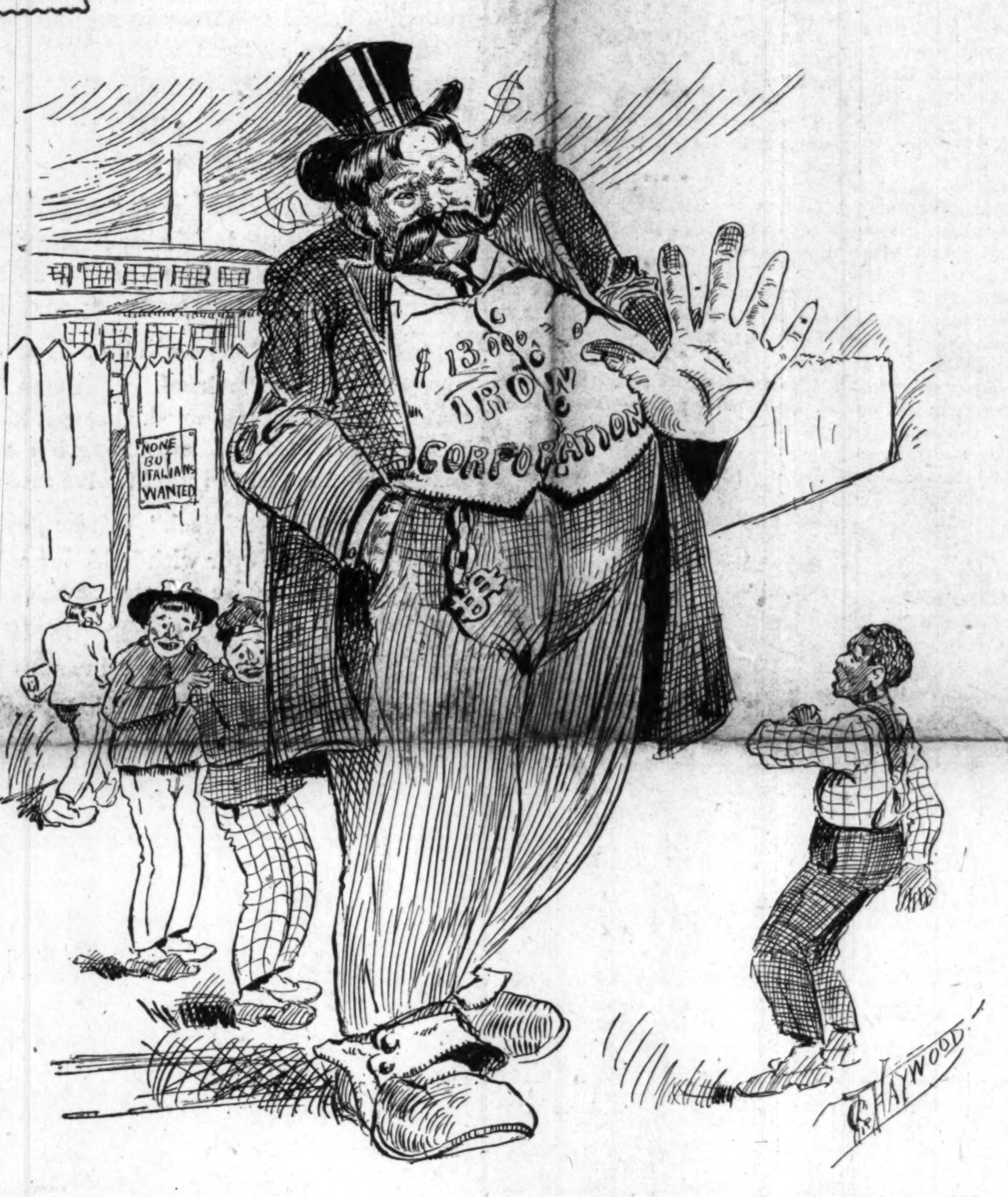
ANOTHER HAND RAISED.



A new $13,000,000 corporation is to be found in the South which will employ Italian labor only.

WHICH HURTS THE WORST?

DR. D. A. GRAHAM CONTINUES CHARGES AGAINST CHURCH

PROFLIGATES IN THE PULPIT

Bishops, Knowing the Facts in the Case Shield the Guilty—Charges of Gross Immorality Go Unpunished—What is Hurting the Church?

When my article which was recently published in The Freeman was offered to the Christian Recorder, the editor very kindly returned it with the explanatien that "It won't do to air it through our church organs, as it injures the church." This is the view generally held about such exposures. I am in full sympathy with those holding such opinions, for I have thought the same way. But I have radically changed my mind. I believe that it only hurts the church, as the dentist's probe hurts the patient, when he seeks to learn the real condition of a tooth that is already giving trouble.

We have gone on for these years refusing to expose these evils and trying to correct them through the ecclesiastical courts; but as we have already shown, these courts are in the hands of corrupt men and are powerless. On the other hand, the very fact that these evil doers can go unpunished and not even exposed, has made them bold, and they go from one conference to another, spreading the contagion of their vicious natures and increasing their kind.

A Point in View.

Some years ago, an elder in an Eastern conference, was brought before his conference upon the charge of gross immorality. He had the general reputation of a bad man, and no one doubted his guilt who knew him. But a certain general officer was attending that conference, and he happened to belong to the same fellowcraft. Being a man of great eloquence, and influence, he cleared his brother, and then told him to get as far away as possible He transferred to the fourth episcopal district, and after serving one or two stations he was made a presiding elder. Thus he became the superior officer over a number of young men. Those men all say that this presiding elder was the most immoral man in general conversation that they ever came in contact with. He spent all the time of his official visits in talking about his immoral escapades, how he had eluded detection, how he had escaped when accused, etc He would sit in the pulpit and make dirty remarks about the women who would be entering the church. No more lecherous beast ever roamed the forest than that presiding elder. Yet he was called a great preacher, because he was so very emotional, falsely called, spiritual. As a result, I know at least two young men whose reputations were previously good, that have had serious charges against them since. Of course they escaped. One of them is very prominent, but dirty scandals follow him everywhere. Now suppose that man had been exposed to the world, or that conference which acquitted him, been held up to the scorn of the connection, He would not then have been permitted to go out West and corrupt young men, and some of the worst scandals that ever disgraced a church, might never have occurred. Many men in the fourth episcopal district will at once recognize this pen portrait, of one of their former presiding elders.

One Other Recent Illustration.

Only a few days ago, a Western preacher, who, while filling one of the most important charges in the connection, had won a reputation of keeping sober sometimes for a whole week, at a time, and who had been kindly given the Keely treatment at the expense of his friends, without losing his charge, was transferred East, and given a first-class charge. As the Keely treatment had failed, he failed to hold his charge, but got a better just the same Less than a year ago he visited a Western city and attempted to lecture while in an intoxicated condition. During the course of his lecture, he boldly avowed that he did drink whiskey and always would do so, as he had as much right to drink it as any other person. Thus he goes about the country under the patronage of the bishops, as a living example of clerical drunkeness. At least three bishops are personally responsible for this connectional disgrace and I challenge either or all

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY."

This column is devoted to the interests of women. Address all communications to the Woman's Department, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

BLEST BE THE TIE.

Blest be the tie that binds
 Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kind ed minds
 Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne
 We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
 Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes.
 Our mutu l burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
 The sympathizing tear.

Here we must often part
 In sorrow and in pain;
But we will still be joined in heart,
 And hope to meet again.

This glorions hope revives
 Our courage by the way;
While each in expectation lives
 And longs to see the day.

In a recent issue of The Freeman a correspondent of Quincy, Ill., gives tha following account:

"The sad death of Harriet Douglass a few days ago revealed another form of the foolish mistakes some of our people are making these days. Mrs. Douglass was the widow of a soldier, received a pension; a member of the A M. E. church and of several secret societies. She lost her wealth not long ago and it was learned that she had given all her money and property into the hands of an unsympathetic evil-minded white man who did not even attend her funeral or hire a nurse to attend her. Dr. Giles, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church visited her a few hours before her death and found her alone and dying. When she saw him she begged him to have her removed to a hospital. 'Do not let me die here like a dog,' she said."

Such an occurence is heartrending to anyone. That Christian people are becoming so selfish, so unmindful of their duty to humanity, that they allow a poor soul to die alone and uncared for, is an alarming state of affairs in the church. This woman was a member of several secret societies and generally these organizations care for their sick unless they are delinquent in their dues and that may have been the case with her, but what possible excuse can be offered for the members of the church? When the pastor found her alone and dying, where were those women that had associated with her in class meetings and prayer meetings kneeling in earnest supplication to God, or singing the above hymn and no doubt held her hand in Christian fellowship, and sung, together with that same voice that said, "Do not let me die here like a dog," the much meaning verse,

We share our mutual woes
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear,

When the time came for the real proof of these words, her friends were where?

The exposure of the scoundrel who robbing helpless women is a good thing and it is hoped that this correspondent will continue in the protection of the weak and ignorant by exposing such men. And it also brings to light the neglect of duty by people who call themselves Christians, and Quincy is not alone there are many other cities that have the same careless set of Christians who neglect their duty. But the reckoning will come at the last judgment, "For I was an hungered, and ye gave me no meat; I was thristy and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked and ye clothed me not: sick and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we an hungered or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal."

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Miss Julia Walker and Miss Dora Williams, recent graduates of Tuskegee Institute have opened a millinery store at Natchez, Miss.

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Mrs. Laura Avett, the wealthiest colored woman in Southern Indiana died January 15, at Princeton. She was an ex-slave and has a brother and sister living at Oberlin, O.

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In the annual report of the Associated Charities for the District of Columbia recently issued, plans are set forth for the future of the social settlement work in southwest Washington for the colored people. It is proposed to widen the scope of this branch and enlarge the home. The resident worker in charge is Mrs. Sarah Collins Fernandez.

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A business establishment at Indianapolis employing young men and women, six of the number have been principals in marriages within seven months. The proprietor is thinking that he will have to call the business, "A Matrimonial Bureau." Know how to work is a tip to the girl that wants to get married.

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A well made tailor suit is suitable for receptions providing it is "real" tailor made. It is very important to have cloth costumes just right for a street or reception gown of cloth cheaply made is more objectionable than any other style of dress.

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The state superintendent of Pennsylvania, addressing the Lackawanna School Directors' Convention, expressed a wish for more women school directors, believing their influence tended for the better development of the school and of the pulpit.

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If we think more and say less, there will be fewer things to explain.

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D. L. BABERS.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

Opposition crushes little men, but makes big men bigger.

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Fulsome funeral orations do the dead no good. Say the kind words now.

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Next to knowing just when to begin is a keen perception of the time to quit

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Mere "chair warmers" do the race no good, and they should be relegated to the rear.

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There is no way to keep the chronic failure from sneering at the man who succeeds.

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Jealousy is a disease not less disastrous in its effects upon a race than the dread tuberculosis.

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If you gave her diamonds for Christmas get a marriage license before the effect wears off.

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Everybody is working on the Register of the Treasury puzzle—except President Roosevelt.

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Even Heflin has taken his cue and "cut it out," leaving Vardaman in a class by himself.

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Some office-holders have the moral courage to rise above their bread and meat in defense of a principle.

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Spectacular leadership is out of style. Constructive statesmanship is the demand of the rising generation.

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The ability to sign a check up in the five figures makes the darkest Negro look almost white to this old Mammon-worshipping world of ours.

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Revivals which excite without convincing do religion more harm than good. True evangelism appeals to the reason as well as to the heart.

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The latest "race war" in the South is the bitter rivalry at New Orleans between the Western Jockey Club influence and the American Turf Association. Mob violence is imminent.

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Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson has been strangely quiet of late. Mrs. Hobson is evidently giving her erratic spouse some fireside lessons in good, old-fashed common sense.

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Sarah Bernhardt, the divine, has a pet baboon of which she is very fond. As she is soon to take a southern trip, it is well that she has not been charged with being enamored of a Negro.

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If John D. Rockefeller will trace his ancestry back to biblical times it will doubtless be found that he is a lineal descendant of the "Cushites." Probably none of this tribe was colored.

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For some inexplicable reason the Washington Bee refuses to "warm up" to Public Printer Stillings. We expected to see his cut adorning the front page of Brer Chase's journal of civilization ere this.

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No fanciful fads should be foisted upon our public school system to the detriment of such 'old fogyisms" as reading, writing, arithmetic, geography, spelling and grammar. These are fundamental.

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It is extremely gratifying to know that Afro-American oratory found such deserving subjects upon which to soar on Garrison and Emancipation day. The birthdays of Lincoln and Douglass come next month, and the eagle can again be made to scream with perfect propriety.

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Joshua R. Giddings was one of the strongest anti-slavery agitators of the West. He served as a representative from Ohio continuously from 1837 to 1857. He was censured by a vote of the House for an extremely vituperative resolution on the slave trade, resigned and was re-elected. He died in Canada while a Consul-General to Montreal in 1864.

R. W. THOMPSON.

The Freeman

For the next Twelvemonth.

We are told that we have a better publication for clean, concise and complete news of the race than any other newspaper in the country; better serious articles than any all-serious publication, and better timely articles than any other newspaper. We have the brightest and newest publication now extant, devoted to the best interests of all the Negro race. It contains the most important happenings concerning our people, Church Affairs, Woman's World, Race Gleanings, The Stage, The Field of Sport and Social and Society Happenings from everywhere. The Editorial Page has been made the equal of any of the Metropolitan papers of the country, if not better.

The liveliest topics of the day will be put before our readers by that very admirable correspondent, Mr. Richard W. Thompson, who is considered to be one of the leading journalists of the day. Mr. Thompson is a staff writer of this paper, who writes on difficult subjects with such singular fairness that every one almost believes that his word "is law."

Dr. M. A. Majors, whose "Major Melange" has scored a world of success in the many past years that it has appeared in this paper, will continue to brighten these columns with his very interesting lines.

Some of our columns will also be devoted to the best interests of the Head, Second and Side Waiters. These columns will be purely an education to the up-to-date waiter of the day.

The Woman's World, which has been so well recieved by our readers, will be a splendid feature in 1906. "Dorothy's" power as a writer of the womankind has become the equal of Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox in mark of beauty. A woman who read an article in the proofs for the Woman's World, said: "Until now I never had any but a confused idea of what our women are doing and of what they could do to better their condition."

The World of Sports will be well taken care of by Mr. John L. Footslug, who has been right in the midst of it for years. Every kind of sport known will appear in these columns.

The Stage will come in for a great share of praise in the next twelve months It will be prettily illustrated. Newsy letters of the stage from New York, Chicago and other cities will appear each week. The Freeman's Gallery, a newly added feature, will also appear. Brief reviews will be published from the pen of Messrs. Carle B. Cooke, Sylvester Russell and others.

The Art Department will be well cared for by our able cartoonist, Mr. Garfield T. Haywood, who is at its head. Perhaps there are few young men who have gained more prominence than Mr. Haywood, through his remarkable talent as a cartoonist. This office has been deluged with letters praising his work. It is the intention of the management to steadily improve in the next twelve months, in our department of art.

The "Top o' the Week" column, conducted by Mr. Charles Marshall, will continue to sparkle more than ever with bubbling wit and humor. He will constantly contribute for the benefit of the wise and the unwise

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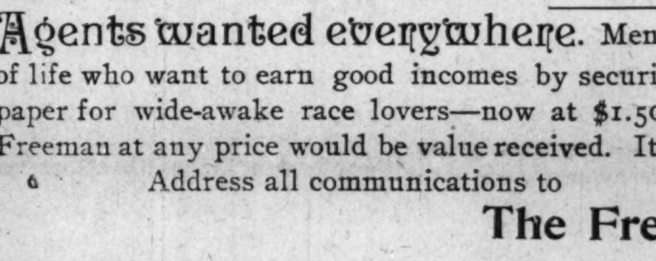

LITERARY RESEARCHES AND COMMENTS.

Among the hundreds of periodicals competing for the public's favor today there is one whose material prosperity has been as marked as its literary success The February number is in itself sufficient explanation of its extraordinary success In it are five serials, a complete novel, and a wide assortment of short stories Among the authors represented are Cutcliffe Hyne, Louis Tracy Louis Joseph Vance, Richard Marsh George Gibb, T. Jenkins Hains, B. M. Bower, Walter E. Grogan and George Bronson-Howard

A handbook of Old Testament history by Pastor X. Koenig, is translated from the French by Mary L. Hendee. In this introductory chapter Koenig deplores the fact that the Bible is not as universally read ahd studied by Protestants as formerly, "On the one hand an open minded study of the Bible has been replaced by creeds and the abnormal development of ecclesiasticism; on the other hand discouragement and indifference have allowed the Book to lose its influence in the home, From fear of science, ardent churchmen have put new chains on the Bible; from mental inactivity and want of fervor the indifferent are disregarding it altogether in either case the Bible is a dead letter"

It is the aim of this book to help restore the Bible to the place it ought to hold in Protestant families, and it is also its aim to testify to the fact that historical criticism, far from having demolished the Bible, has by subjecting it to tests used in establishing the validity of other documents of antiquity, eliminated a great part of the difficulties it presents in the face of modern thought. The author frankly states that if he were obliged to accept the old conception of the Bible, he would deliberately renounce the whole thing but, thanks to the indefatigable labors of unselfish and heroic scholars, who have had to contend with the whole body of ignorance and fanaticism, we have arrived at a really historical and rational conception of the Old Testament.

BUSINESS MEN INCORPORATE

Booker T. Washington One Of the Incorporators.

Albany, N. Y, Special.—The National Negro Business League of New York City was incorporated January, 10 to promote the commercial and financial development of the Negroes of the United States, by thoroughly organizing them into local leagues in all the States and Territories for systematic instruction conference and encouragement in commercial enterprises and the proper use and saving of money.

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We present herewith picture of Mr. William O. Nixon, headwaiter of the Palmer House restaurant, Chica, Ill. Mr. Nixon was employed at the above historic house eight years ago. After being there a few months he was promoted to captain of the first watch. He proved himself master of the situation. He was then promoted to second waiter under one of the, said to be, best experienced white headwaiters that ever pulled a chair. Although Mr Nixon was at that time second waiter, the manager of the Palmer House looked to him to see that the guests were properly cared for. They promoted him to headwaiter, the position he now holds. Mr. Nixon was born in Montgomery, Ala., and was educated both at the State Normal School, Montgomery, and Taledega College, Taledega, Ala. He has been a citizen of Chicago for the past ten years. He is quite popular among the leading element of Chicago society. He is also a member of the Masonic fraternity and is highly esteemed by his fifty-six waiters. He is now working and is being ably assisted by Mr. William Burks as second waiter, Messrs. Frank Brown, George Jordon, Thomas Jeater and Benjamin Camble as captains, with Hervie Hillman checker. He also has several waiters working under him with quite a hotel reputation. Among them are Mr. I. M. Kelly, well known among the hotel boys, Milton Brook, Aaron Huffman, well known down East, James Allen of Cincinnati, William Mathews, formerly of Boston, J. S. Davis, formerly of Mobile, Ala., and well known to the readers of The Freeman as well as hotel boys, Benjamin Hunt, head private party waiter, Robert Davis, hat man. Messrs Hunt and Davis have been at the Palmer House for the past twenty-seven years. Our many readers will be delighted to know that the Palmer House is one of the leading hotels in America, and works a full colored crew up and down stairs and strictly European. It employs eight hundred and fifty. Among that number it has eight colored cooks working with thirty-two white cooks daily. While it has a white head and second waiter in the down stairs cafes the entire crew of waiters is colored.

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Headwaiter Palmer House Restaurant,
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J. HAMILTON BROOKS, THE POPULAR HEADWAITER

Among our royal Bohemians in Manhattan there is one gentleman who is almost as popular and interestad in the profession as he is in his present lucrative work (headwaiter) at the Hotel Somerset in West Forty-seventh street, New York, and I refer to no less a man and distinguished headwaiter and general race supporter than J. Hamilton Brooks. Mr. Brooks succeeded a white crew of waiters when he took charge of the cafe and dining room of the Somerset, some three years ago, just as he did when he launched a fine colored crew of waiters into the Hotel Schuyler, where he remained with a continued and highly satisfactory record for several years. During his stay at the Schuyler Mr. Brooks had the brotherly interest and good fortune to appoint five different headwaiters to good paying positions. He employs at present thirty sidewaiters, and from the way they went about their duties the day Mr. Brooks entertained The Freeman's eastern journalist at the Somerset they certainly proved to be expert and clever at their important work as any of the waiters in any cafe or hotel in New York City Just think of thirty men constantly engaged in serving during a busy meal hour and never hearing a word above a whisper among them, nor the bang of dishes nor the dropping or rattling of silver. I wish to say, right here, the manager and the proprietor, Mr. William H. Moseley, has good reason to feel proud of their headwaiter and crew Their costumes are neat and their linen clean and comely in appearance; their shoes well polished, light in weight and of good appearance. Another fact to be commended is that during my entire stay, which I enjoyed greatly, I did not see or hear a single waiter engage a guest in conversation, nor did they neglect to give the party they served their entire attention. The illumination of the Somerset is all that could be desired by the most fastidious patrons of the metropolis, and I could say equally as much for the silverware, linen, decorations and general equipment. The menu includes most excellent articles from the cuisine and of course the best that the great markets of New York afford. This is an imperative rule with the management, and a most pleasing one to Mr. Brooks as he has among his guests some of the most exclusive patrons of the smartest folk in Greater New York to satisfy. This he does with the devoted interest of his crew. The service at the Somerset, like that which is obtained at all our first class hostelries, is both American and European in character Mr. Brooks has a very fine patronage for "up stairs" service, which he gives with great dispatch and thorough satisfaction. So much for a real first class crew of waiters (not loafers and fakirs) and a real headwaiter and gentleman. It is an art and a professional accomplishment to know how to attract men and women to a festive board, and to so please them as to make them return again and again. Such is the ability of the boys at the Somerset in Manhatten, and such is the tact of their clever headwaiter and guiding star, who is also second waiter at the famous "Grand Union" hotel in Saratoga Springs during the summer season. So, be it in Saratoga or Greater New York, as long as he is interested in his profession or engaged in his delicate task, patrons and old admirers will always seek a table, a pleasant smile and a good dinner in the dining room or cafe where the ever fraternal, able and faithful J. Hamilton Brooks holds sway, and, as one appreciative friend, I hope he will continue to enjoy success, good health and happiness many a day in an indispensible capacity.

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THE WAITERS...

Word reaches us that a new association of waiters is to be set up in Buffalo, N. Y., next week.

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The Windsor Hotel at Akron, Ohio, has been sold to E. O. Yoemans, a former clerk, for $25,000.

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Waiters, cheer up when in the presence of guests even if you are downcast. It opens the way for something good to happen.

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Every waiter should look as pleasing as he possibly can as it is of untold value. A face that is always pleasant is delightful and inspiring to everybody who comes in contact with it.

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The headwaiter who will let things drag along and then all at once have a great cleaning up time makes a very grave mistake. Keep everything in shape as you go along and then mountains of work will not appear.

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The management of the Sulfach Hotel of Louisville, Ky., has turned all white waiters off and put on a full new crew of colored wasters. This hotel is the leading one of Louisville. Many waiters from Chicago have taken positions there.

DON'TS FOR THE WAITER

Don't have any unnecessary conversation.

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Don't lose your nerve, especially during meal hours.

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Don't take any guests anything but what they order.

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Don't borrow silverware, glasses or dishes from one another.

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Don't dress gaudily or dudishly, but cleanly, neatly and nicely.

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Don't try to bulldoze the cooks if you want good service from them.

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Don't be an eye-servant. Be a faithful co-worker in or out of sight.

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Don't argue or contend with other waiters in the presence of guests.

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Never try to seat a guest when you see the headwaiter is about to do so.

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Don't forget where the dishes are in the kitchen and how to get them quickly.

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Never think that you know it all, as there are new dishes created every day.

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Don't permit envy or unfriendliness to exist between you and other employes.

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Don't fail to know what is on the bill of fare and where to get it in the kitchen.

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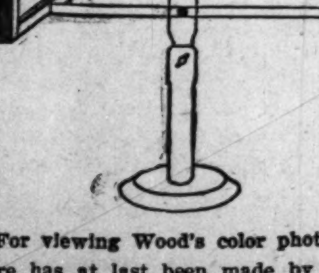
Never act like a monkey. Be a man and the guests will respect you and give you more.

To produce the single plate which is here employed it is necessary to conduct three printing operations. First, a 2,000-line grating is laid upon the sensitive film, and then the positive obtained from the red rays in the three-screen process is placed on top of the grating. Light is allowed to shine through the two upon the film. Thus fine lines of this particular rate of frequency are registered upon the film wherever there are transparent patches in the positive. Such transparent spots occur only where there were reds in the original scene. This positive and the 2,000-line grating having been removed, the 2,400-line grating and the positive made with green rays are substituted. Wherever there were greens in the original scene, lines that run 2,400 to the inch are now printed on the film. Finally the 2,750-line grating and the positive obtained with blue rays are brought into requisition and transfer to the film the ruling peculiar to this hue.

The printing operation is a very delicate one. It is necessary that the three positives shall each occupy the same position, and not be a hundredth of an inch out of the way. Upon accuracy in this adjustment depends the success of the experiment. But after a picture has at last been made by this method on one plate, it can easily be copied any number of times.



(For viewing Wood's color photos.)

In order to give a rude idea of the appearance of one of his pictures, Professor Wood assumes that he has photographed a red tulip with green leaves in a blue jar. Each of the hues will be represented on the film by lines of a different spacing from that of the others. To examine such a picture, one takes a large lens or reading-glass, trims it off square, sets it upright in a light frame like that of an old-fashioned stereoscope, and looks through a hole in a black screen fifteen inches or so away. The picture itself is held between this device and the light for examination. Thus far it has not been found practicable to magnify these pictures much; but they will stand some enlargement by a magic lantern.

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KEOKUK, IA.

The churches are trying to work up an interest in religious work.—The S. T. M. Society gave a grand musicale at Odd Fellows Hall recently. A good progam was rendered and a large audience was present.—Mrs. Dade, of Ridge street celebrated her fifty-third birthday with a reception to her friends.—Our people have enjoyed a fairly good share of festivities this season although money is rather scarce everybody seems to have a little to spend.—Mrs. Ellen Dickson has returned from Ft. Madison.—Frank Fields, Alex Morton, W. H. Jones and B. Anderson, our tonsorial artists are preparing for a busy trade.—Al. Fields, our busy groceryman is doing well.—It is reported that that plans are being considered to introduce an enterprise in this city for the mutual benefit of the race.—Madison Roswell, 105 years old died January 9.—Rev. W. T. Green, pastor of the Mt. Pilgrim Baptist church was called to St. Louis, on account of the illness of his father.

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SOME PLAGUE SPOTS.

Those members of the race who have observed the trend of affairs in cities having a large colored population cannot have failed to notice the many black plague-spots which breed vice and crime as a quagmire breeds mosquitoes and miasma. Around these centers gather the lewd, the vicious and the criminal. They poison the atmosphere of the neighborhood in which they are located and send out their patrons who carry the poison with them. It is of no avail to claim that these places are to be found among all races. The fact remains that such places are more injurious to us, as a race, than to others since all are judged by its most conspicuous element, for certain it is these make themselves the most conspicuous of any among us. These places are infested by gangs of young men who have no higher conception of life than to improve every opportunity for dissipation. In city politics they are for that candidate whose success at the polls promises the least interference with their dissipations and the largest distribution of quarters and dollars, for it must be admitted that not all of them will sell for a quarter. In some cases as much as a dollar is the least amount that will purchase their "support." They are always for the "open town," and the wider it is open the better they are pleased. These are they who furnish nine-tenths of the cases in Police Court and the Work House. They are the ones whose loud mouths you hear on the streets and who make you feel that you had rather walk than be on a street car where their mouths and manners make you feel ashemed for them. We repeat that such must be unloaded from the main body of the race. The load has become too heavy to be longer borne without inflicting and injury on all the race. We must wash our hands of them and feel no responsibility for their existence When their misdeeds bring them into contact with the law they must suffer the just consequences without aid or sympathy. If there be those among us who lay claim to respectability and yet who are willing to cater to this element in order to advance their petty ambitions in politics, let us see to it that they must depend alone on these municipal buzzards for the end they seek.

The better element of our people are a majority. How can we show this to be true so long as this booze element are permitted to have a preponderating influence in city elections and municipal conduct? We can do it only by our refusal to be dictated to or represented by them. We must declare that none who are willing to build on such a foundation shall be supported by us for anything. Better for us and better for the community that we have no representation in public affairs than that it be purchased at such a cost. No political job can repay the damage done or the wrong encouraged by such conduct.

We can help to bring a better condition by giving public officials our hearty support when enforcing the law against these plague spots. Nor does it matter whether these be operated under the name of "club" or saloon; they should be made to conform to the strictest letter of the law and public decency. Indeed, it is a question if some of these alleged "clubs" are not more harmful than saloons. I is certain that some "clubs" are worse than some saloons. As for ourselves we are unable to decide between the respective demerits of any two things as bad as some of either. Many of these places operate under the name of a club in the hope of retaining a claim to respectability, but so rapid has been the descent that the transition from a "club" to a saloon has been imperceptable to the attendants. We have in mind one of these "clubs" in which the chief functionary is an official in one of the leading churches. If they do anything in saloons that is not done in that "club" we have never heard of it. We favor such a strict enforcement of the laws against such places as will put them out of existence. Remove all such plague spots and this vicious element will disappear as will the flies after the dead carcass has been buried. As to where they will go God only knows, and we don't care.

MARSHALL FIELD.

Men have become so money mad and have grown into worshippers of dollars and dollar getting to such an extent that few readers are likely to have any patience in the words of a discordant note amidst the praises sung to the late merchant prince—Marshall Field. As for the writer it can be truthfully said that he sees nothing noble or praiseworthy in dollar getting as the profession or life work of any man. That one should seek to acquire a sufficient amount of wealth to put him and his beyond the reach of want is but prudence and common sense. But beyond this point wealth necessarily becomes an encumbrance and a burden to the one possessing it, and requires too much of his valuable time in looking after it. "But how can time be better used," asks one, "than to use it in attending to growing wealth?" Such a question is a confession that the questioner has the dread disease—greed for gain; just for the sake of the gain.

To the mind there appear so many thousand things, edge of which, or the doing of which, would bring a real happiness to the doer and a lasting benefit to mankind. It does seem that every properly constituted individual should have a desire and an adaptability in some of these directions, and whose search for wealth beyond a given point would be for the purpose of putting such things into effect. It is safe to say that the men and women who have given most to the world have been of these. Most of them have done the thing first, leaving the rest to care for itself. Others have used their wealth to do the thing they wanted done. Cyrus Field believed that we could talk across the Atlantic. He expended a fortune to prove it and by so doing did more for the world than could have been done by amassing any amount of wealth. So, in the fields of art, science, discovery, invention and the unnumbered needs in social and civic life, there should be something which the heart longs for that lies beyond mere money getting. Dollar hunting for the sake of getting the millions is coarse and vulgar, and we have little choice between the miser and the captain of industry with his hundreds of millions. The greatest difference seems to be that one of them is a coward and the other isn't. Nor does it do to say that a merchant prince has conferred a great benefit on the public by lessening the sale price of some articles of use. If in so doing he displaced a thousand smaller merchants, it is then open to serious question. There is such a thing as reducing the price of a thing and at the same time reducing the opportunities for getting the less amount with which to pay. With private ownership in land on one side, and merchant princes on the other, the great body have only to choose which kind of a servant they prefer to be.

Greed is a bottomless pit that cannot be filled. The farmer having such a place as this on his farm and who, with his sons, should labor ceaselessly to fill it, knowing that it could not be filled, would be called a fool for wasting so much energy that might be better expended. But he would be no more of a fool than those who feed their appetites of endless greed for gain. Wealth is food, clothing and shelter stored up, with a surplus that gives independence and makes opportunities. Man is more than a bee that wears out his wings in gathering honey. More is required of him than feeding the appetite. When he has laid by an abundance for him and his there should rise within him the impelling desire to do some of the thousand things that would contribute to the world's happiness and knowledge and lessen its misery. If it requires a hundred and twenty-seven millions to put a man in a position where he may begin to enjoy life, what has the human family to hope for? With such a load of millions no man can serve his God, his country or himself. Unless life itself is a lie and the dreams of a future existence a delusion, dollar hunting as a life work is but the squandering of divine opportunity.

THE SPECTATOR.

THINGS AS HE SEES THEM.

This week marks the anniversary of the birth of Scotland's bard, Robert Burns. From out his lowly life, darkened with sin and poverty, he looked into better things. The ugliness of his own life did not hide from his view the unending beauty of simple nature. He was the poet of lowly life, and the humble things were his. His lyre was always attuned to simple faith and trusting love.

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Wit and pathos and philosophy are blended in his poetry. He foretold the truth that every great soul has divined, and so he sang:

> It's coming yet, for a' that,
> That man to man, the world o'er,
> Shall brothers be for a' that!

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I think that one of the greatest sins of a weak humanity is that of judging weak humanity. Whence do we get our ability, aye, our right to judge? But we pass our judgment, stern as any decree of the Spanish inquisition, the die is cast, and the poor condemned one has no redress. Who are we that we can know the motive, the environment, the conditions governing the action Pharisees are we all! Has not Burns touched a vital truth in this:

> Who made the heart, 'tis he alone
> Decidedly can try us.
> He knows each chord—its various tone;
> Each spring its various bias;
> Then at the balance let's be mute,
> We never can adjust it;
> What's done we partly may compute,
> But know not what's resisted.

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My impression has always been that God wanted to save man. I have always thought that the Creator was interested in His creation. I have always been taught that His ear is attentive to the cries of death, that His hands are outstretched to its people, and that His heart yearns after men and women.

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Attend a revival meeting at almost any one of our churches and you will get a different idea. You will think that God is away, or busy, or mad, or dead, judging from the words that you will hear and the actions that you will see. You will hear men begging God to do something that He is anxious and willing to do; you will see earnest souls seeking something, they know not what, only to be disappointed; while through it all and above it all will be mingled the excited shouts and frenzied exclamations of an overwrought throng.

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God is good; He is just; He is merciful; He is love; He says unto man, "Come unto me; I await your coming Live for the highest things as found in me. In me you will find hope; in me you will find strength; in me you will find sincerity; in me you will find heaven, here and now."

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It would be well if we would express our appreciation to Mr Gruelle, the noted artist of this city, who is soon to leave for residence in New York, for the gifts of his paintings which he has made to each of the colored schools. He has always taken a genuine interest in our schools. The pictures have a large money value, to say nothing of the beautiful spirit which prompted the giving.

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I wonder if the patrons of our schools know that these pictures have been given. They rarely go to the school buildings to admire pictures or any thing else there that is beautiful. They go to see and do other things.

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You have seen the patent medicine advertisements, "Before and after taking" Our good friend, the editor of the World, has been similarly afflicted. In his issue of January 13th, occurred a highly commendatory notice of the lecture on "John Brown," as delivered by Prof. Dubois at Bethel Church. In the issue of the following week occurred an editorial, written after the lecture, that was not commendatory Moral: In the effort to get a "scoop" do not describe things before they happen.

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It takes so much to satisfy some people. Our friend introduced the speaker and sat upon the platform. What mortal could wish for more glory?

THE SPECTATOR.

That was a fine spectacle of two New York politicians in a beef eating contest in which one ate eleven and a half pounds of beef. But there was something really fitting in such a contest by these particular men. About the nearest approach man makes to being a hog is to be found in the New York politician.

A SUSPICIOUS BAIT.

If there be any who doubt that Thomas Dixon possesses the qualities for making a good Mephisto, such doubt should be removed by the offer he made in an open letter to Booker T. Washington at his recent meeting in Carnegie Hall. Mr. Dixon's letter was as follows;

Booker T. Washington, Carnegie Hall, New York:

My Dear Sir—In response to your appeal for funds I hereby offer to contribute $10,000 from the profits of 'The Clansman" to Tuskegee Institute provided you give complete and satisfactory poof that you do not desire social equality for the Negro and that your school is opposed to the amalgamation of the races.

Sincerely, THOMAS DIXON, JR.

This is simply an adroit move on the part of Dixon to put Mr. Washington in a corner. He hopes to wring from him a confession of inherent inferiority of race, or a statement that will give offense to the majority of white people. Either would rob Mr Washington of much of the prestige he now holds, while adding to that of Dixon, and would make a good investment for the latter.

The thing Mr. Dixon does not seem to understand is that social equality does not necessarily mean equality in other directions, and that it is this equality in other directions that most concerns the black man Mr. Bryan once said that there was less of real difference between individuals having the same ideals and ambitions than between races. Uninfluenced by the doctrine of hate, of which Dixon is one of the apostles, people of similar thought and feeling would gravitate toward each other, as is witnessed in the smaller fragments of society such as families, organizations and neighborhoods. This law on which this is based is natural and not artificial. It simply points out equals. Essential equality does not depend on social equality, nor can it be disturbed by it.

What does Mr. Dixon mean by amalgamation? Does he mean inter-marriage? or does he mean amalgamation as carried on in the South between white men and colored women? If he means the former it might be truly said that the colored people feel no obligation to keep the Caucasian blood free from admixture. If it should be asserted that the race should feel such a high pride in itself and its possibilities as to make it disdain any admixture of its own blood, then we have Mr. Dixon's word for it that the race has neither achievements nor possibilities of which it should be proud. But if on the other hand Mr. Dixon means the latter kind of amalgamation, it may be said that Tuskegee teaches morality and is therefore opposed to all forms of immortality, whether it be illicit intermingling between different races or between individuals of the same race.

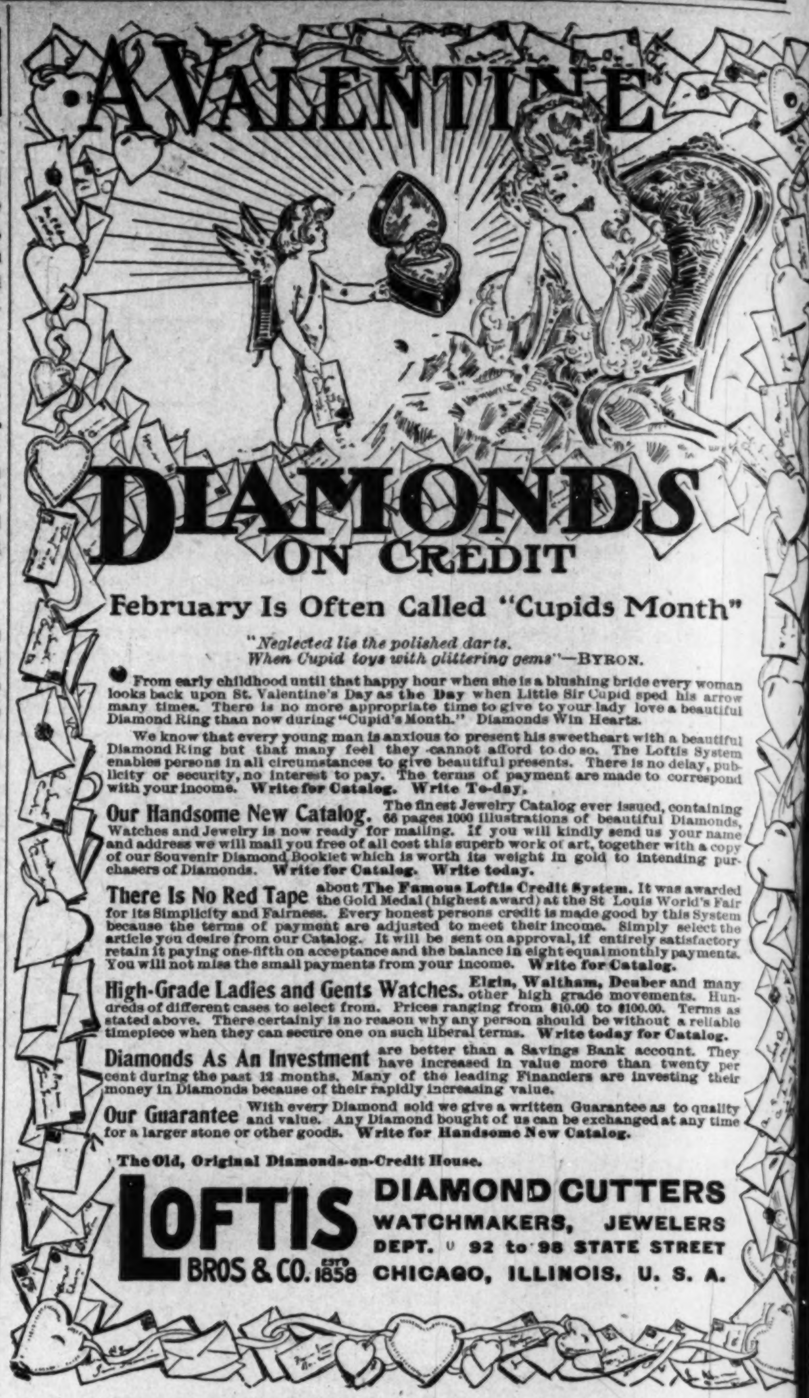
Without assuming to be the spokesman for Mr. Washington, who is abundantly able to care for himself, The Freeman thinks that Mr. Dixon's offer merits the reply that, so far as Mr. Washington's views and desires on social equality are concerned, they are open to the public as witnessed by his conduct; and what his school opposes and favors is shown in its teachings which may be ascertained. Tuskegee needs money to carry out the work begun, but it should decline Dixon's ten thousand dollar offer, with or without a proviso, for his money is blood money having the worst possible taint, and Tuskegee needs none of it.

Booker T. Washington, in an interview published in the New York World and other New York papers, Friday morning, Jan. 19th, respecting the recently published statement that he had advised the President to remove all colored officeholders in the South, said: "I have given no such advice. The statement is false."

It seems well to call this statement to the attention of our readers because of the widely published statement in the Southern newspapers to the effect that Mr. Washington had counseled the President to remove all colored men who were holding office in the South. In view of the fact that numbers of them whose removal has been sought by the Lily White Republicans are still retained in large measure because of Mr. Washington's intervention, the statement from the beginning seemed incredible. The authorative denial by Mr. Washington himself sets that rumor at rest.

The statement of Dr. Hollander, of London, that the brain of woman proves that she is not the mental inferior of man was probably made for the benefit of men. The women have long ago been convinced of this, and most men have also been convinced of it. It must be very embarrasing for any man who has had any association with low grade men or high grade women to claim otherwise.

A good start has been made in the Naval Academy toward suppressing that form of rowdyism known as hazing. Such pranks are neither smart nor cute. It is the savage in man coming to the surface and should not be tolerated in any educational institution. Let the rowdy student forsake his ways and the wicked man his pranks and turn unto his books which will abundantly reward him.



A VALENTINE

DIAMONDS ON CREDIT

February Is Often Called "Cupids Month"

"*Neglected lie the polished darts,*
When Cupid toys with glittering gems"—BYRON.

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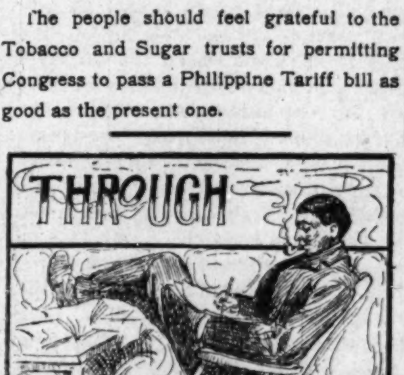
The expected has happened. Tillman has broken loose. When he started the black man prepared to "duck," but, fortunately for the latter the mania took another direction. That old bull ought to be dehorned and put in a place that would protect the public from attacks.

As a choice between Dixon, Vardaman and Tillman, which would you prefer for President?

Dixon, of course! There is at least this much in his favor—he has been known to exhibit symptoms of sanity.

D. A. Graham gives the public another installment of his charges against the clergy of the A. M. E. Church. If these charges are not refuted the laity should take such a decided hand in the matter as to set things right.

The people should feel grateful to the Tobacco and Sugar trusts for permitting Congress to pass a Philippine Tariff bill as good as the present one.



In the session of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association at New Orleans, La., January 11th, Mr. John Clarkson of Tennessee made a very stirring addresses in behalf of Negro labor of the South. Mr. Clarkson gave such figures that proved a very wonderful development in the South since the war. He made it known that this development was due to the part the Negro took in the field of labor. He also stated that he did not think that the South had done its full duty toward the Negro laborer. It has not treated him as it had proposed to treat the Italian. He believed large importations of Italians would prove a danger to the South, and believed the opportunity still existed to make the Negro the best laborer on the face of the globe. While Charles Scott of Rosedale, Miss., thought that the South could only look to Italy for an avenue of escape from its difficulties in securing reliable labor

Every one who has spent any length of time in the South can but honestly say and believe that the Negro laborer is far the best for the South. The Italian, as Mr. Clarkson truthfully states, will prove to be of grave danger to the South. In the first place the Southern white man better understands the Negro. They know that he is a peaceful, hard working servant and that he is very obedient. They know that the Italian is treatcherous, lazy, lawless and always of a murderous lust.

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It is cheering to note the progress of our many Negro publications throughout the country to-day. For instance, the up-to-dateness of our current magazines. They are filled with the very best articles for the person who has the idle hour to enjoy. The Voice of the Negro, Colored American, National Domestic, Southern Workman, Alexander's and the Union magazines are wonderful when you stop to consider what great handicaps the promoters of the above have around them. Just think of the poor support our people give these publications, and yet they not only exist, but sublimely live and grow better with each issue. We do not take hold of them as quickly and as quickly and as eagerly as we do Harper's, Scribner's, Century or Everybody's, which seldom ever publish anything helpful for the Negro. We gladly pay twenty-five or thirty-five cents for such magazines where, if it comes to buying a magazine published by a Negro and for the Negro, quite a long breath is drawn before we give up one dime for the purchase of such a magazine as the Colored American, which is worth twice its cost.

CHARLES MARSHALL.

MR. MAN, SHAME ON YOU.

White men respect their women. They guard their honor with a jealous eye. Negro men see nothing in their women to protect. Of course there are exceptions. The white race respect true womanhood. A woman who loses her honor loses her most costly jewel. A man who fails in the world, redeems himself among certain men. This obtains principally among Negroes. True American Negro womanhood is being elevated by the women and not by Negro men.—Washington Bee.

IT IS CERTAINLY TRUE.

Some of us have lots of ups and downs in this world, in fact more than others; but when we all get to the cemetery we'll be on a dead level.—The Birmingham, Ala., Wide Awake.

THE WAY TO LOOK NEAT

And comfortable is to have your hair nicely combed and put up in the latest style. If your hair is kinky and harsh it looks untidy and hurts when you try to comb it. You can easily change all that and make your hair pliable, soft and easy to comb by using Ford's Hair Pomade, formerly known as "Ozonized Ox Marrow." It also prevents dandruff and makes the hair grow. For over forty years ladies of refinement have been using it with great success. Warranted harmless. Only 50c a bottle Sold by druggists, or send us 50c for a bottle. We pay the postage. Address Ozonized Ox Marrow Co., Charles Ford, Pres't, 76 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Every Lady Read This.

Years ago when I was a sufferer, an old nurse told me of a wonderful cure for Leucorrhea Displacement. Painful Periods Uterine and Ovarian troubles It cured me in one month. It is a simple harmless lotion that can be prepared by any one having the recipe. I will send it Free to every suffering sister who writes to me I have nothing to sell. This is a case of woman helping woman. I send it Free. Address Mrs. A. B. Budnut, South Bend, Ind.

Bland & Frye at Denver, Colo., January, 29. Regards to the Mahara Company.

"A Rabbit's Foot" Company closed at Jacksonville, Fla., January 23. Business extraordinary; never bigger than in past year.

Arthur and Eva Prince closed with "Hot Time in Coontown" at Sedalia, Mo., and will be seen in vaudeville in the Esst very soon.

George Lynnier, basso, with the "Rufus Rastus" Company mourns the loss of his father, John E Lynnier who departed this life, January 3, at Norfolk, Va. His many friends extend their sympathy,

Some manager has a good paying position for you, and he wishes to locate you. Information of yourself in the Managers and Actor's Directory of The Freeman would enable him to find you without any delay.

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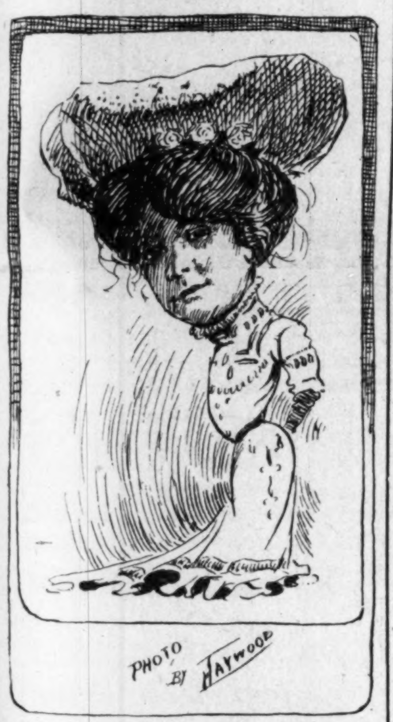

MARION HENRY SMART.
One of the most admired actresses of our race, starring in The Smart Set.

What a tear from our eyelids starts,
We're worse than a gallery boy
And the beat in our stout hearts,
Grows, O, so quick of joy,
Tho' only when you we see;
'Tis your sing ng and our sighs
In fairyland we seem to be
When you are making eyes.

—CHARLES MARSHALL.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE.

LADIES' LIST.

Allen, Miss Maud
Bostwick, Mrs Maaie
Crosby, Mrs Oma;
Cooksey, Miss Susie
Johnson, Miss M E
Ogden, Miss Helen
Rue, Mrs Bessie
Robinson, Miss Lydia
Robeson, Miss Ada
Smith, Mrs Eliza
Steele, Miss Alberta
Teinte, Mrs Bard
Yeres, Miss O O

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Armstrong, Thos
Bostwick, W C
Carter, Tom
Carter, Sydney
Dudley, Edmond
Devine, Isaac P
Dotson, W A
Elliott, Foy
Fleming, Chas R
Goodlow, Will
Gilbert, R E
Gilbert, Robert
Gant, R H
Harris, Jas A—3
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Harris, J A
Jordan, J W
Johnson, Sam
Johnson, J Louis
La She, Herbert
Looney, E J
Lewis, Fred
Mikell, Prof E T
Means, J W
McCameron, J H
Moody and James
McCanion, Prof J C
Payton, Harry
Parker, Chas R
Powell, Clarence
Reeves, George
Smith, H S
Smith and Bailey
Toledo, Ben
Wise, Jim
Watkins, T A
White, Capt B Y
Wallridge, Arthur

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A Rabbit's Foot Co.: Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 2 to April 2.

Black Patti Troubadours: Chicago, Ill., Alhambia Theater, Jan. 29 to Feb. 3,

Billy Kersands' Minstrels: Charlottsville, Va., Jan. 29; Bedford City, 30; Covington, W. Va., 31.

Proctor's Original "Arkansaw" Minstrels: Rayne, La., Jan, 29 to Feb. 3.

Harry A. Brown, Singing Cartoonist: Poli Theater, Waterbu g, Conn., week of Jan. 29.

Mallory Bros and Brooks, assisted by Miss Grace Halliday: Alhambra Theater, Brooklyn, N. Y., week of Jan. 29.

Ernest Hogan in Rufus Rastus: New York City, Jan. 22 to Feb. 10.

Yo can always be found f your name appears in The Freeman's Manager's and Actor's Directory.

OBITUARY.

G. W. Houseley was born at Natchez, Miss., January, 9, 1877; died at Philadelphia, Pa., January 9, 1906. He was leader of band and orchestra, with W. S. Cleveland's Minstrels, season 1893 and "Old Kentucky," 1894; under Profs. Henderson Smith and Oscar Lindsay with Vogel's "Darkest America" 1895-6, and acted as leader of orchestra in '97. Joined Richards & Pringle's Minstrels as band master and orchestra leader in 1898, remaining in the positions until 1903. The seasons of 1904-5, Mr. Housley featured in the Four Houseley Bros. musical act, with Billy Kersands Minstrels.

We want you to take advantage of an opportunity while it is possible. Your name, permanent address, and the name of the company with which your are traveling, in the Managers and Actor's Directory, for 10 cents a line, or three lines for 25 cents, will be of great service to you.

LETTER FROM NEW YORK

BY CARLE BROWNE COOKE.

One of the most noted entertaining establishments devoted to the interests of our members of the profession here in Greater New York, is the one founded, controlled and managed by our very dear friend and co-laborer, Mr. Isaac Hines, known to all our leading artists as "Uncle Ike" and "Pop Hines." His establishment is known as "The Theatrical Professional Club of Greater New York" Isaac Hines was born in Baltimore, Md., September, 15, 1850, He first gained prominence in the the profession as a member of the once famous Twilight Quartet, the first appearance being made in New York in high-class vaudeville, and later were engaged as entertainers by many of our most exclusive patrons of colored talent. The members of this quartet when first organized were the now famous Joseph Hodges, of Hodges & Launchmore, Robert Martin, Isaac Hines and and Billy Moore.

The mother of our Theatrical Professional Club, was the late Mrs. Carrie Hines the beloved and devoted wife of our dear old "Pop" Hines. Mrs. Hines was an affectionate and motherly lady and a boon to all the visitors of her husband's club. She was familiarly called "mama" and "mother" by most everybody who had the good fortune of her acquaintance.

Mr. Hines founded his present business in 1886, just twenty yoars ago, and to look at him today one would never take him to be over forty years old. His headquarters are cherished by most all of our artists engaged in stage work, and is the only place of his kind in Greater New York, that they can visit or look to with a source of pride. It is a desirable and a very comfortable resort; respectable to a degree. From time to time our artists assemble there to exchange ideas, rehearse, to see and to be seen, to entertain and to be entertained by the several artists that are always engaged for the pleasure of the the members and patrons.

The first establishment was down town in Manhattan and was located at 133 West Twenty-sixth street. The location of the present club is at 23 West 134th street in Harlem. Mr. Hines is a very philanthropic gentleman and caters especially to his brothers and sisters of the calcium glare. Many of them have testified to his charitable nature and magnificence, Many more are grateful to him for assisting them in financial straits, illness and rescue from a strand many miles from home.

The new headquarters in Harlem are tastily and beautifully adorned and the walls are literally covered with the most attractive portraits, photos, sketches and groups of celebrated performers in all branches of the profession. Many of these articles bear the date of the colored performer's earliest successful achievements in the amusement world. Mr. Hines has an enviable and extremely valuable collection of portraits, great and small, of black Thespians, living and dead, who have contributed their share of soothing-balm for sad hearts, and whose versataiity and clever humor have won for their names and work, an achievement in the Hall of Fame.

Aside from the reading and rehearsing rooms, there are Mr. Hines' living rooms, parlor and library, the crusine, dining room, help's rooms, and a music and general reception (double) for entertaining, etc. Since the death of our lamented Charlie Moore, of the Douglass Club, Mr. Hines has held the reins of popularity. Still we are sorely in need of another Theatrical Club in Greater New York and we need a home for old and infirm performers. This is seriously suggested to those of us who visit Mr. Hines' club and gaze upon celebrities who are ill and in distress.

Among the galaxy of celebrated artists who are registered at Mr. Hines club are: Edward Goggins, Cole & Johnson, George W, Walker, Egbert Williams, Madame Sissieretta Jones, Samuel Lucas, Ernest Hogan, Harry Gillian, Gus Hall and nearly a thousand of others who have ever done anything of good have a place at the Colored Performer's Theatrical Professional Club of Greater New York.

AT THE INDIANA THEATRE ALL NEXT WEEK.

Big Musical Comedy, "Hiram Green from New York" The Indiana Theatre is under new management. Mr. George Pinnell and Ed. Holland, sole owners and managers They have secured Miss Lena Alfretta, from New York to put on musical comedies all season.

The musical comedy of Hiram Green is a play from real life and will please even the little children. There will be thirty people on the stage at once Pretty girls singing and dancing, gorgeous costumes, electrical effects. Als ten big acts in olio, including Roberts & Crabb, Manhattan Trio, Cecil Maning, Dick Franz, Lemoyne Sisters, Florence Akerman, Sadie E Martin, Joe Roberts and Leona Alfretta with her Pickaninies. Mr. Ed, Maur, musica director has secured a ten piece orchestra. Mr. Maur is late of Royal Sheif. Prices will remain the same 10. 20, 30. Matinees Wednesday and Saturday. Watch for big parade Monday 12 o'clock. Cor. New Jersey and Washington.

TOLLIVER AND TEMPLE'S BIG MINSTRELS.

Tolliver and Temple's Big Minstrels played to crowded houses at every performance this week at the Indiana Theatre. The show is pleasing from start to finish. George Temple displayed some of his old time talent as a comedian. But he was not one trifle funnier than John Tolliver, who is ever looked upon as a reliable fun maker. Their characterizing of "Old Mammy Dinah" was very good. Gus Taylor who produced a great share of the fun is a coming star. The work of Miss Georgia Jones and Witchery. the juggler, was interesting. The chorus was good and the scenery very pretty.

ALEXANDRIA, LA.

F. D. Cokeley, the contractor has just completed a large frame store building, owned by D. Caplan.—A. J, Toussiant has charge of the laying of steel for the Alexandria Street Railway.—Rev. P W. Clark, pastor of the Memorial M. E. church is attending general conference at New Orleans,—Mrs. Stella Dies is ill.—Miss Josephine Touissaint is visiting relatives at Poland, La.—Miss Julia Keary, of Cheneyville, La. is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mary Porter.

The Freeman can be obtained each week from H. C. Hudson, 927 Bolton avenue.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES

SURE THING.

Is everybody happy? Well, you can't be happy doing wrong.—The Pythian (O.) Monitor.

SOME HERE TOO.

There are men in Galveston who will do well to look into the looking glass at their own hypocrisy before they talk moral status of people and communities.—The Galveston, Tex., City Times.

THE FLORIDA STANDARD.

If many of our D. D.'s were M. D.'s and practiced medicine like they do theclogy, they would be arrested for malpractice before Monday morning.—The Freeman.

When the Florida Standard sees anything good to publish it does so and extends credit also.

EVERY CITIZEN TO THE FRONT.

Savannah may have a Jimerson case growing out of the arrest of two men last week for resenting the jeerings of white men while on parade. The recorder unreasonably fined them fifty dollars each or thirty days on the chain-gang. The case has been appealed and every citizen should help in seeing that justice is done.—The Savannah, Ga., Tribune.

CHURCH'S PARK AND AUDITORIUM.

To the Theatrical World:

A new star has arose and demands universal consideration of the many theatrical managers and proprietors, in the position of a Park and Auditorium general Amusement House for theatricals and conventions. In attending Black Patti Troubadours engagement, you could get "S. R. O.," and its situation is such that from a moment's notice a large audience can be collected Its seating capacity is 2200, beautifully lighted by electricity; cars stop at the door; centrally located; large and spacious dressing rooms. Stage 25x75 feet; height to rigging 46 .6; drops 20x32

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CAST OF CHARACTERS,

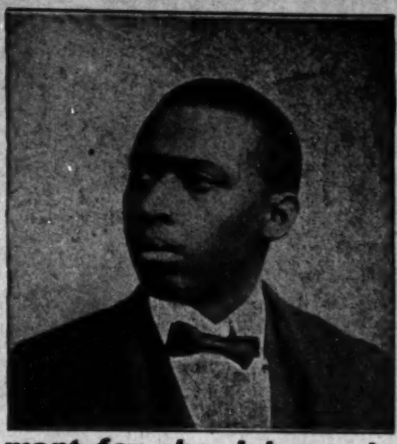
Note—The names of the characters arranged on the program in the order in which they appear on the stage.

John Drake, second waiter at the Ponce de Leon Hotel	J. F. Morres
Dr. Fo-Jo. dealer in lucky charms	J. Leubrie Hill
Sophronia, housekeeper at Ponce de Leon Hotel	Anna Cooke Pankey
Hugo, the porter, successful and satisfied	Harry Fiddler
Noah Beasley, head waiter at the Ponce de Leon Hotel	J Ed. Green
Angelica, Newcomb, looking for a job for her family	A. D Byrd
Billy B. Dam	Will Wilkins
Rev. Nightingale, Slipback Newcombe, a man of many callings	R A Kelly
Frederica, their educated daughter	Alice Mackey
Snowflake, their youngest offspring,	Muriel Ringold
Enoch, the bell boy	Theo. Pankey
Cousin Monk	
Catasterphe	
Lazarus Tuttle, stage manager and theatrical promotor	Henry Troy
Selina Giltedge, prima donna of Coontown 400	Carita Day
Mandy Jones, leading soprano of Ragtime Opera Co.	Mamie Emerson
Rufus Rastus, unfortunate	ERNEST HOGAN
Samson Strong, with hallucinations	Harry Gillam
Officer	Matt Houseley
Balmoral, Hugo's sweetheart	Pauline Hackney
Floor Manager	Bill Moore

Hotel Help, Jubilee Singers, Minstrels Terpsichorean Artists, Masquraders,

CHORISTERS.

Scrub Women—Pearl Lavan, Sarah Green, Amy Leslie.
Nurse Girls—Pearl Brown, Jeannette Foster, Madge Warren, B. Gillespie
Chambermaids—Nellie Dansy, Georgia Mickey, Maude Jones, M. Sullivan
Laundresses—Pauline Hackney. Pinkey Cooper, M. Thomas, Anita Wilkins
Bell Boys—Jennie Thompson, Maude Turner. Mabel Turner
Yardmen—Billy Moore, Matt Houseley, Geo. Lynnier, Wm. Spicer
Waiters—Will Wilkins. Angelo Houseley, R. C Baker, J. F Morres
Footmen—Wm. Pierce, J. L. Grant, Beverly Houseley
Chefs—James Worles, Edward Gray, Walter Robertson, John Hill
Newsboys—Pearl Brown, Maud Turner. Amy Leslie, Jennie Thompson, Sarah Green, Jeannette Foster. Mabel Turner, Madge Warren



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Both ladies and gentlemen for my 2 shows under canvas A Rabbit's Foot Comedy & Funny Folks Comedy 40 weeks' engagement for the right parties. State all that you can do in first letter and lowest salary. Ladies send photos. Can also place advance agents, lithograher bill posters and first class base ball players. The Funny Folks Comedy opens March 12 at Jacksonville, Fla.

A Rabbit's Foot Comedy opens about April 2 Address all letters to

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1054 W. Church Street, Jacksonville, Fla.

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Colored Lady Singers and Dancers for Tent Show. State lowest salary first letter with photo, can use a good male song and dance team also male quartette that play mandolin, guitar, banjo. No fares advanced, answer at once, make one letter business. Send photos--state your line of work.

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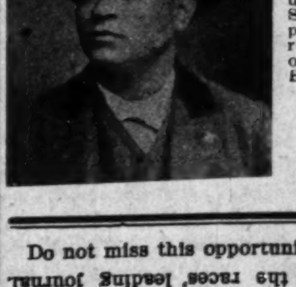

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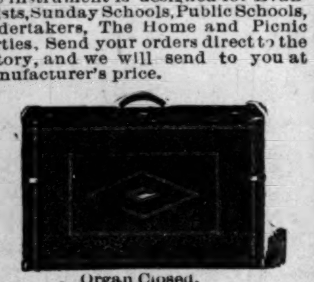

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The 2,000 miners in convention at Tomlinson Hall, represent the whole country in the industry of coal mining, they are from all sections and are enthusiastic in the same for which they are sent. Every year new conditions, new questions come up between the mine owners and the miners which call for adjustment and new agreements. It may be the termination of contracts under which operations have been carried on. The renewal of these contracts are entirely new one are necessary to the next year's work. This work and similar kind are the business of these great conventions.

The miners represent a solidarity of interests such as the country has never seen before. This army of men is moved as it seems by a single motive; to be given a chance. They ask what they think is due them. They come to our city not as a body of political agitators seeking to secure this and that kind of legislation, but they come to pave the way for a rightful recompense for their very hazardous occupation. They are not obstructionists but peaceful breadwinners the likes of whom are the mainstay of the country.

Under the peerless John Mitchell, the miners have come up as it were. They have done good; they have wrung terms from the coal barons who a few years ago did not think the miner entitled to an opinion. As it is understood to day, the mine owners and the miners get along mighty well together. But the good times did not come of their own accord.

Among the delegates to the International Convention are a number of colored men, a number of whom represent local unions made up largely of white men which is nothing more than an earnest of the good fellowship existing in the union. These colored delegates are above the average in intelligence and stand complimentary to the unions unions that sent them. Many of them are leaders in their communities, fraternitymen — Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Red Men, Knights of Tabor, Unithed Brothers and of other organizations known to the colored people.

Indianapolis is waking up to the importance of the underground toilers, realizing that they are a part of a great movement, respectable as individuals and strong as race men—study men, of the kind that have ever been the ramparts of civilization. Need we say brave men? Why? Armies could not be more so. Every day is their test day; shut up in the earth—led on sometimes only by the fickle torches flare—yet uncomplaining they go, that the world may not sit in dark and distress. We with the rest of Indianapolis, welcome these assuming species of American industrialism. Every joy and comfort are voted them while they remain on top of the earth, yea, even unto, to when they descend into it.

AMONG THE COLORED DELEGATES.

Rev. P. A. Harris is the preacher miner who holds pastorates at Ward, W. Va., and Plymouth, W. Va. He is treasurer of local union 1931 now serving his third term. His union as many others is made up, namely of white men. Rev. Harris is a Mason and a K. of P. As a minister he is a member of the New River Valley Association also of the Mount Olive and Baptist Convention of West Virginia. He is a man of property and prominent in community affairs.

L. W. Stalsworth, Buzton, Ia., is member of local union 1799. Stands well in his community; a member of the A. M. E Church. He is reported as making a commendable financial headway.

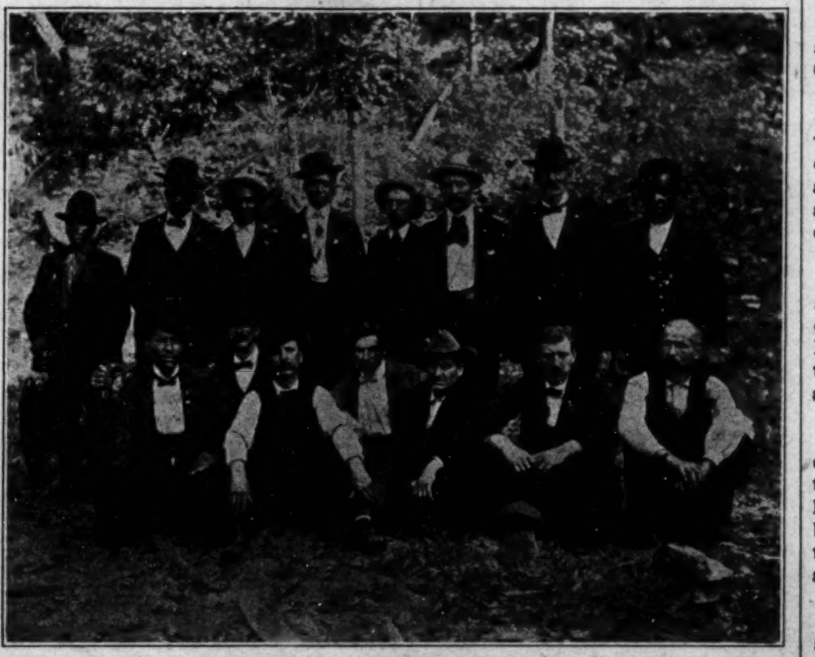
James Hamilton of Yale, Kan., is of local nnion 589 consisting of 209 white and 35 colored miners. His standing among co-laborers and community will be judged when it is known that he is the only representative of his union at the International Convention.

R W. Watkins of Corbin, I. T., is president of local union 2165. He seems to have entered into the life of the territory. He says that he is simply a squatter, not being able to possess land in his own right by any means. Farming is one of his business enterprises besides being a miner. He has cattle but his hobby is fine hogs. He brought his stock of Poland China from West Virginia. As a fraternity man he has an excellent standing. Of the Masons, he is Worshipful Master, of the Odd Fellows secretary and treasurer of the Household of Ruth, corresponding secretary. He is Grand Lecturer of the territory for the Masons.

L. S. Hairston of Fleming, Kan., a members of local union 2620, is an influential man in his community and in mining circles. He was formerly president. In the mines he is knwn as shot fireman whose business is to blast down the coal for the miners. His job is risky and hazardous but one that requires only two or three hours each day. Mr. Hairston is 36 years of age, married and has four children. He is of the Baptist Church, at present and exhorter who has the ministry in view.

G. D Yancey hails from Buxton, Ia., a member of local union 1799. He is chairman board of directors. He is an influential citizen of his community, a member of the Baptist Church.

William Randolph of Wilberton, I. T., is a member of local unin 1127 of district 21. Besides being active in mining circles he spends some time in looking after cattle, of which he has quite a bunch.



A GROUP OF IOWA MINERS.

John Allen of Wilberton, I. T., is a member of local union 2749. As a member of the pit committee he assists in adjusting grievances between pit boss and miners when working in the mines.

John R. Bush of Cherokee, Kansas, is a member local union 1088 He has served as ex-president of union at Fleming. Mr. Bush has had the honor of representing his fellow members for the third time in International Convention. He is a Mason, a member of the Baptist church and useful in his community.

D. Scott of Carbondale, W. Va, is a member of local union 531, at present time member of mine committee, formerly president. His union is two-thirds white; he is the only representative He is a True Reformer, member of the Independent Order of Red Men, deacon in First Baptist Church, a useful citizen in his community. He is married, making headway along financial lines.

J. L. Williams of Mt. Carbon, W. Va., is a member of local union 1538. He has served as vice-president, now on mine committee, has represented union several times in conventions. As a fraternal man he is a K. of P., member Calanthe Court, Independent Order of Red Men and a member of the Baptist church. He is a man of property.

Joe W. Bell is from Hemlot, Ill., a member of local union 309, trustee and vice-president. Has held various offices, also attended other international conventions He is the only representative of his three hundred or more constituents, most of whom are white men.

Victor Bardina of Keota, Mo., is a young Italian who acts as interpreter for his union 1918 He is a forester also a member of the Catholic Church.

Willard Johnson, Keota, Mo., of local union 1918 of which he is recording secretary. Otherwise engaged as agent of Home Protective Association of Hannibal, Mo. He is a K. of P.

J. H. Wells of W. Blocton, Ala., is a member of local union 2269 He is now vice-president, has served his union in various capacities. He is high up in Odd Fellow circles, a Baptist in religious belief and of an excellent standing in community.

Another very prominent miner is C. H. Vincent of local union 2644, Hartshorn, I. T. He has served as president of his union. He is a master of a Masonic lodge, vice-chancellor K. of P., president of Hartshorn Speculative and Investment Company. The object of the company is to further and protect the interests of colored people of the territory. He is of the Baptist belief, which connection he now serves as secretary of the District S. S. convention.

Jerry Claybourne, Buck, Indian Ter., is of local union 17. He has represented his number in a number of conventions, all of which is so much testing as to his popularity. As in a number of instances he is the only representative of a union where the white members are largely in majority. He is a 32nd degree Mason and is what might be known as an enthusiastic Mason—knows nothing else, fraternally speaking.

W. D. Glover of Higbee, Mo., is of the thoughtful class; he preaches the gospel of peace and a better understanding. He has resided in Higbee but a short while, yet he has rapidly forged forward until he is president of his local union 354 and a leader of his race' He is a member of the Baptist church and a Mason.

Howard Eason, Seatonville, Ill., is a member of local union 931. He is perhaps the youngest colored delegate to the convention. He is also proprietor of a restaurant and saloon.

J. A. Sanders of Pittsburg, Kansas is a member of local union 70. He is pit committee, check weighman; has been president. Fraternally he is a Mason and an Odd Fellow. He is a member of the Baptist church.

Ulysses Long of Evansville, Ind, member of local union 1109, being buisiness agent of the same. He is a man of family and is said to be making commendable financial progress.

R. H. Smith, better known as Bob Rodgers is of Thurber, Texas. His local union is 2763 At home Rodgers is an all-round leader, and esteemed for his usefulness. His union is known as the Italian; being made up of 400 memembers of that race and 100 colored men.

James S. Harvey, Powetton W. Va., is a member of local union 2032, also vice-president and auditor, also on mine committee. As a lodge man he is of the Independent Order of Red Men, Gallibean Fisherman. He is a decon in the First Baptist Church.

W. A. Ford formerly of Iowa, now hails from Lexington, Mo., of local union 286 of which he is Financial Secretary and Statistician. Mr. Ford is also Secretary of Lafayette County Fair Association, a colored enterprise He is a man of property, a Mason, and of good influence,

B. W. Robinson of Kimberly, Ala., is a member of local union 1290 of which he is president and secretary-treasurer. He is a member of the Central Committee of United Labor League of Ala, having for its object the betterment of the laboring classes generally. The organization expects to put a political ticket in the field Mr. Robinson is a blacksmith by trade and infiluential. He is Baptist and K. P

R. D. Stevens, Bell Sumter, Ala., of local union 1985, of which he was formerly secretary and weighman. He is a K. of P. past chancellor, an Odd Fellow, Master Mason and an Elk. He is Sunday-school superintendent of the A. M. E. Church.

Charles Carter of Keota, Mo., is of local union 1918, of which he is a member of the auditing committee. He is an Odd Fellow and a K. of P., has shares in an investment company at his home. He is secretary of the literary society and member of the A. M E Church.

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RACE GLEANINGS

The Knights of Pythias have just completed a fine office and lodge building at Charleston, W. Va.

Jim crow cars are to be intoduced at Newport News, Va., The colored citizens are preparing to walk.

Nathan H. Alexander, of Montgomery, Ala., has been appointed Receiver of Public Moneys for the state of Alabama.

Miss Mable Zenobia, daughter of Mr and Mrs. W. E. Mollison, of Vicksburg, Miss., was married December 27 to Mr. Joseph C. Hines.

300 delegates are expected to attend a convention called to meet in Washington January 24, to discuss the question of Negro suffrage in the South.

Pine Bluff, Ark., has a Negro population of 9,000, and claims a larger proportion of colored people who own their homes than any other city in the country.

A branch of the National Negro Business League has been organized in the town of Tuskegee, Ala., with a membership of sixteen substantial business men of the vicinity.

C. H. Harper, a colored jeweler of Holly Springs, Miss., is an expert watchmaker. He carries a stock of goods equal to that of any Caucasian contemporary at that place.

The Twenty-fourth Infantry, now at San Francisco, waiting to take ship for Manila, January 25, is the first Negro regiment that has been ordered on foreign service for nearly five years.

Okalona, Miss., has more Negroes doing business in the main part of the town than any other place in the state. On the principal street there are colored men engaged in dry goods merchants, grocers, tailors and restaurant men.

The mamouth blacksmith and machine shop of Dewmaine, Ill., near Marion, with all of the improved machinery necessary, is under the control of William Prinist, an Afro-American and a graduate of Booker T. Washington's school.

A Free Library for Colored Folks has just been opened in Louisville, Ky. The first person to take out a book was Willis Thomas, an ebony-hued Negro. He asked for and received a work on chicken culture. He said he wanted to 'raise" a few chickens.

P. Logan is the unpretentious name of a colored man at Okalona, Miss, who has a hobby for real estate. He owns several store buildings, eighteen or twenty residences, a large plantation containing a section and a half, and lives in the home owned at one time by his former master.

The Panama correspondent of the New York Herald praises the honesty of the Jamaican laborers on the Canal Zone and the absence of a desire to steal on the part of the native Panamain. Owing to these qualities, the pay cars, carrying as much as $60 000, travel with safety among the thousands of black laborers

Hon. Charles W. Anderson and Mr Emmett J. Scott were banqueted recently in Washington by Recorder of Deeds Jahn C. Dancy and Justice of the Peace Robert H. Terrell. Covers were laid for ten. In addition to the hosts and special guests there were present Hon. P. B. S. Pinchback, Whitfield Mckinley, Judson W. Lyons, Henry P. Cheatham, and James W Gray.

The investigation of Mr. G. W. Ellis, secretary of the American Legation, near the Court of Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa, on the Vey tribe, will be published in the next report of the United States Bureau of Education. As an evidence of the value of his service to science, Mr. Ellis received $250 for this monograph. His studies in their entirety will be published in book form.

Dr. George C. Hall, the noted Chicago physician, who is doing such useful work in checking the ravages of tuberculosis or consumption, will go on an extended tour this winter, operating on numerous, surgical cases in Nashville, Decatur, Birmingham, Memphis, Little Rock, and St. Louis. He has enjoyed singular success in the most difficult operations, where patients have been given up as hopeless by other surgeons of excellent repute.

S. B. Forman, a young man of Cincinnati, Ohio, has invented a mail crane, and will be granted a patent for it soon, It is said to be a vast improvement over anything of the kind yet invented, and will bring its patentee a fortune. Mr. Forman is quite an inventive genius, and has several other devices to his credit For eleven years he was in the United States Cavalry, and saw service in the Far West, in Cuba and in the Philippines.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Washington, an Afro-American farmer living near Durant, Miss., has become white. He had a strange illness about twelve years ago and began turning white, and with the exception of small spots on his body his skin is entirely white. His hair and other distinctly Negro characteristics remain. He is forty-five years of age. Other colored people near Durant are becoming spotted and it is believed they will also turn white.

Because he was chained to a Negro convict and marched through the streets of Pratt City, Ala, N. W. Kenmore, who served a sentence in Pratt mines, has entered suit against the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company, for damages to the amount of $1 959. He asserts that he was greatly humiliated to be forced to march chained to a Negro through the public streets and that there is a law against such action. This is the first suit of the kind ever filed in the state,

The "unwritten law" is intentended for blacks as well as whites in the state of Kentucky, according to the action of Commonwealth's Attorney J. M. Huffaker, of Louisville, in the case of Gus Hocker, convicted of killing a man who had ruined his home. Hocker had been given a ten-year sentence in the penitentiary, but Mr Huffaker came to the rescue with a motion for dismissal, under the unwritten law, and the prisoner was released from custody, as white men always are under similar circumstances.

Formal appeal has been taken to the Controller of the Treasury from the decision of the auditor for the War Department making certain allowances for the men of the One hundred and sixty-first Regiment Volunteers in the war with Spain. Under the decision of the department each company in the regiment receives in round numbers $3 000 and about $500 goes to the field and staff officers of the regiment. Company A Colored Infantry is to receive $1 775 and Company B Colored Infantry $1 193 The total allowed by the auditor for the War Department is $30 800.

The Imperial Concrete and Realty Company, of Aldine, N. J, is the name of a new Negro company which has discovered a process for the manufacture of paving and building bricks which they claim can be manufactured cheaper than ordinary bricks. These bricks are made in six colors and are as hard as rock, This is the only company that makes these bricks in colors, and this secret they are guarding well. The officers of the company are George T. Davage, of Lincoln University, Mass., president: George Read, secretary; A. J. Simmons, treasurer; B. F. Jones, business manager.

After thirty eight years of service with the State of Kentucky, during which time he was employed under the administrations of ten governors, Moses Butcher, the best known Negro in the Blue Grass state, died a few days ago Mr Butcher began his service in 1867, when John W Stevenson was governor. He was appointed a janitor in the Adjutant General's office, and remained in that position until John Young Brown was elected Governor, after which he became janitor of the State Library, and held the place until his death. Every politician in the state knew him and had a fondness for him because of his politeness and genial disposition.

Gov J. M. Terrell and a number of prominent Atlanta men, including the Mayor of Atlanta, are requesting the Carnegie Hero Fund of New York to give to John Hill, a colored driver, a gold medal as a reward for his recent heroism. He threw himself in front of a maddened team of horses on Peachtree street, Atlanta's most fashionable thoroughfare, and at the risk of his life, stopped a carriage and saved the occupants thereof, who were members of one of the first families. The speed of the horses was such that Hill was dragged 300 feet before he brought the animals to a stop. Had he failed in his effort to grasp the bits, or had his hold weakened, he would have been hurled to instant death.

IMPORTING ENGLISH LABOR

Richmond, Va., Special.—Thirty thousand of London's destitute people are to be brought to Virginia for purpose of working the farms of the State. Commissioner of Agriculture Kelner is at the head of the scheme. The immigrants will not be colonized, but will be distributed throughout the State wherever their services are needed by the farmers. The farmers of Virginia have heretofore depended almost exclusively upon Negro labor. If this scheme proves a success, it is hoped by the Virginians in securing destituted English labor, they will force thousands of Negroes out of the State.

BISHOP'S WIFE PASSES AWAY

Philadelphia, Pa., Special—Mrs. Harriet A. Turner, wife of Bishop Turner died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Hall. Mrs. Turner had been an invalid for sometime, and had lived in this city on account of the unsuited climate of Atlanta. She was formerly Mrs, Wayman, widow of Bishop A. W. Wayman, and was married to Bishop Turner several years ago at Baltimore.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.....

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

GANS FACES WORLD AS VICTOR

On Friday night, January, 19, at 10:50, Joe Gans sent a clean left arm blow on the jaw of Mike (Twin) Sullivan which put the pride of Cambridge down and out for fully twenty seconds and for at least thirty minutes an audience of over 5,000 people split the air with shouts. It was to be a twenty-round contest, but only lasted fifteen. The men fought at 142 pounds for the welterweight championship.

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It is said that George Dixson is now fighting third-raters in New York.

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An Athletic Club has been organized in this city. Scipio Williams has been elected president Some great events in the boxing line are promised in the near future.

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G. L. McClain, of Memphis, Tenn., wants to hear from baseball managers desiring games for the coming season; also regarding the forming of an eight team league.

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Zeke Abrams, the well-known Californian, has issued a challenge. He is anxious to match Jack Johnson and Jack O'Brien for a twenty-round bout. He will bet $2,500 that Johnson can whip O'Brien in ten rounds.

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Jack Blackburn recently outpointed Sailor Burke in a three-round argument in New, York. Previous to the fight Burke was considered too strong a figure for Blackburn to go up against but Jack soon settled all fears by some very fast jabbing

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Bobby Dobbs, who has been living in England for a long time pulled off another victory at Cardiff. Wales, the other night. He won over George Roach on a foul in eight rounds Dobbs has been doing great work as a boxing teacher while across the pond.

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Sam Bolan, the old time favorite featherweight, and Patsy Connors, an Irish fighter had a hot session of it before the Pelican Athletic Club, of Brooklyn, N. Y., one night last week. Many said Bolan should have received the decision although it was called a draw.

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Robert Stonewell Allen, a colored evangelist, now fity two years old, who in his younger days was a pugilist of note, again entered the ring in New York recently, and fovght a three-round draw with "Black" Griffo at the Sharkey Athletic Club. Just before the bell rang to start the bout Allen knelt in the middle of the ring and made an earnest prayer. He didn't lose the contest although he didn't win.

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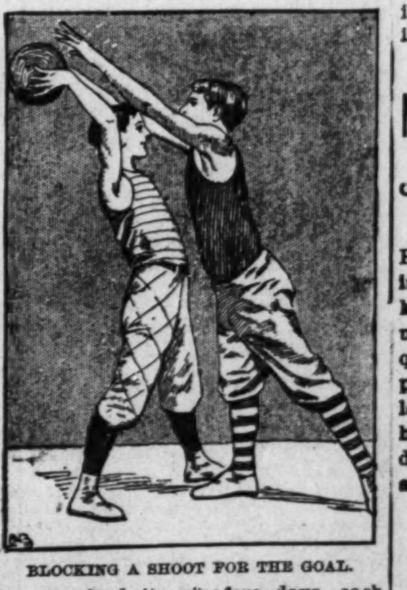
The youngster weighed 190 pounds and is in training with heavyweight championship aspirations. After the bout Gotch predicted that with two years of work the lad should be in shape to go after the best of the wrestlers. He has size and youth in his favor and at the worst is a mighty good find right now.

Basket Ball.

Indoor Sport Has Many Valuable Features as an Exercise.

Basket ball is a close rival of bowling for popularity as an indoor winter sport. The number of basket ball players in America now counts up into the thousands, and in spite of detrimental work by the rules committee the game has never halted in healthy development.

Professionalism has proved a bane in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, but in other states the sport has been kept comparatively clean. Its present flourishing condition is due solely to the watchfulness and interest of the Amateur Athletic union.



BLOCKING A SHOOT FOR THE GOAL.

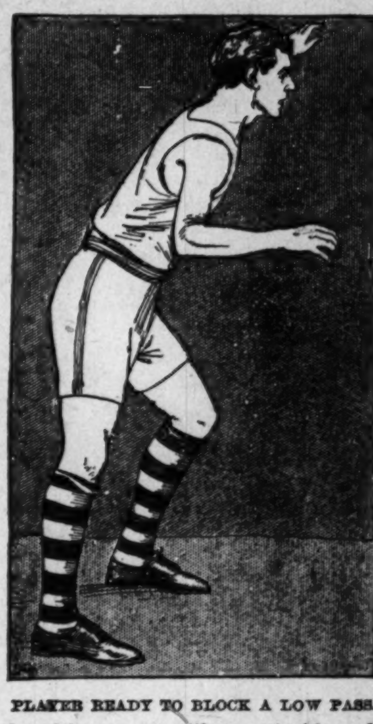
It is now ten years or more since the invention of basket ball, and the game has survived its pinafore days, each year rendering its position more secure. The best physical trainers agree that basket ball offers one of the most effective methods of training for summer sports, where ordinary calisthenics and gymnasium work become monotonous and some form of severe exercise is necessary to keep the athlete in fit condition.

The play has had a tendency to grow rough among the best eastern players during the last few years, and there has been a general demand among spectators and players for more stringent rules that would prevent rough play.

In basket ball the field is so small and the play is so fast that it is difficult to prevent roughness, but the referees are almost unanimous in their effort to penalize most severely the first offenders in this respect. Free throws for the basket are given the opponents for foul tackling, and players are disqualified for deliberate fouls and rough play.

The rules furnish plenty of opportunity for clever play without resort to physical contact, and the most brilliant players are those who dodge the opponents and evade their blocking by trickery rather than those who push the opponents out of the way and force the ball past them.

Marcus Hurley, one of the stars of last season's champion eastern college team, is one of the fastest bicycle riders in the country, and the fact that he finds basket ball the best form of winter training is a high recommendation for the game.



PLAYER READY TO BLOCK A LOW PASS.

Basket ball is undoubtedly one of the most strenuous of all games. When played in a cage, with no out of bounds rules, it is far more exhausting than football.

The development of team work is essential. Under the present rules passing the ball instead of "dribbling" it is probably the most important feature.

NON-UNION MINERS CALLED

Colored Labor Is Imported to Take Place of Striking Miners.

Sturgis, Ky., Special.—The West Kentucky Coal Company has begun to import Negro mine workers from Hopkins county to take place of striking union mine workers and it is causing quite a sensation on account of the present crisis of labor troubles. Charles Beecnecher is confident that he will have sufficient non-union labor to produce the capacity output of the shaft, although the outlook is not favorable,

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AMONG THE MINERS ATTENDING THE CONVENTION.

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R, D, Stevens is of Bell Sumter, Ala., local union of 1985 His union has honored him with the office of secretary and weighman. He is a Knight of Pythias, an Odd Fellow, Mason, an Elk, a member of the A. M. E. church and superintendent of the Sunday-school.

Charles Carter, of Keota, Mo., is of local union 1918. He is an Odd Fellow, and a Knight of Pythias; also shareholder in an investmedt company at home Mr Carter is a member of the A. M E church and secretary of the literary society.

W. J Campbell is of Central City, Ky. He enjoys the distinction of being the only colored man of the President Mitchell's Cabinet, a body made up of twenty-four members representing the same number of districts. As an organizer Mr Campbell is not exceeded and for which ability he has long since been recognized. Before he was an executive board member he was secretary treasurer of his district in which capacity he satisfactorily disbursed thousands of dollars, which was greatly to his credit for the betterment of conditions generally as they pertained to the union Mr. Campbell is well-informed along lines of general government, having pronounced views which he expresses with force and clearness when called on. His business brings him to this city very often where he is held in esteem for his modesty and good common sense in view of his very high position in the union.

THE E. B. DELANEY MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The E. B Delaney Missionary Society met in regular session last Friday. Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, the National Corresponding Secretary of the Home and Foreign Missionary Society was present. Miss Burroughs has plans for a training school to be established at Washington, D C., for women, to cost $50 000, and she will make an appeal to every Negro woman in America to contribute one dollar. Miss Burroughs attended the World's Baptist Congress at London.

The society is very proud of Miss Bourroughs and her grand and noble work and appreciated her presence very highly The following officers were elected: Mrs. Aea Howard president; Mrs. D. Collins, vice president; S. Lee, secretary; Mrs. Kempas, assistant; Mrs Wilkes journalist; Mrs. Davis, critic; Mrs. Walter Williams, reporter.

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of them to publicly deny it. He is a brilliant pulpiteer, and his name is frequently before the public; but wherever mentioned, someone remarks "drunkard." How can men who claim to be the overseers of God's church foster and abet such conduct without acknowledging that they are equally guilty?

Does it hurt the church to publish these facts nearly as much as it hurts the cause of Christ for the church to be supporting such crime?

The bishops always try to excuse themselves in these cases on the ground that no charges have been made, or at least not proven on these men. But this will not do If no charges are preferred, in many cases the bishop has personal knowledge of the truthfulness of the complaints In each of the cases above mentioned, this was true, Then the bishop could have reduced the man in his appointment, which would have been equivalent to punishment. The man would have so considered it, and it probably would have had a good effect upon him. If not it would have shown the public that the bishop did not approve of such conduct. and that he would do all in his power to discourage it. Instead of this, the bishops continue such men in good charges as long as they can in one conference, and when the people will not stand for them any longer then transfer them to another conference and see that they get an equally good appointment.

Now, what is hurting the church?

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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

(Continued from First Page)

Smith has been assigned to West Africa, while Bishop Derrick supplants Dr. Smith in South Africa, for the good of the service, yet without reflecting in any way upon the administration of the latter. For the editorship of the Christian Recorder, Rev. Reverdy G. Ransom has a lightning rod of enormous proportions out, and Dr. J. M. Henderson is saving up valuable thoughts for use in the Pine street sanctum, if he can get the delegates to place him there. A dark horse, but a mighty competent one, if experience counts for anything, is Rev. L. E. Christy, now editing The Sentinel, a secular paper, at East St. Louis, Ill. Prof. H. T. Keeling is apt to hold on as editor of the Quarterly Review, but he will have some opposition as soon as a certain candidate gets his fences in proper repair; so will Dr. J. H. Collett, the business manager of the Publishing House, although he and Mrs. Collett are doing gilt-edged work and bringing in enough money to make the enterprise self-supporting within a few years. Prof. J. R. Hawkins will not be disturbed. His work is not a snap, and few ambitious men want a job where the hazard for success is so great as in the secretaryship of education, where the incumbent must be on his "p's and q's" all the time to keep the festive dollar from getting out of reach, and courting the generous givers of the entire nation. Dr. John F. Hurst is in the lead for financial secretary, but there will be other enteries, as this is regarded as the direct route to the Bench. Heard, Watson, Roberts, Gains, Fickland, Murray and McCracken are all coming men, and will prove excellent reserve material for the general offices when the present incumbents have been threshed over for advancement. Murphy, Arnett, Stansberry and Alexander must not be overlooked, either, when the slates are made up.

What to do with Dr. W. D. Chappelle, Secretary of the Sunday School Union, is the problem with which the brethren are wrestling prayerfully along about now but all dislike to say what the solution ought to be, It is an open secret that there will be a change of some kind; possibly Dr. Chappelle will be advanced to the bishopric, if an opening can be found. The friends of Mr. Ira T. Bryant are of the opinion that the welfare of the church would be best subserved by the election of an experienced layman, who is not only an executive officer of the firstwater, but who is also a practical printer, with a thorough knowledge of modern methods of printing, both by hand and machine, and who can buy without consulting others, and put out job work that will compare favorably with that of the finest offices in the land. They say Mr. Bryant is this man, and the few votes he needed in 1904 at Chicago will be forthcoming at Norfolk, making his calling and election sure. It is not unlikely that an arrangement may be made by which Dr. Chappelle will retire from the Union, voluntarily, going to another branch of the work, and thus give Mr. Bryant a clear field Within the next few months, the situation will begin to crystallize, and the rank and file of the connection will be able to form some idea as to where the lightning will strike two years hence. The attendance at Norfolk will doubtless be of a record-breaking character.

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No. 14207 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 3rd day of July 1905, the above named plaintiff, by her attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Marion county. in the State of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant Oscar McGee, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that said defendant Oscar McGee, is not a resident of the State of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above namded defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 31st day of March, 1906

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said court. said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 31st day of March 1906, the same being the 24th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in March 1906, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in his absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.

JAMES T. V. HILL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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